

## **News Release**

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## Army Corps of Engineers to consider changing operating hours of Belton Lake park

The Fort Worth District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, is proposing a change in the operating hours of Sparta Valley Park at Belton Lake.

Sparta Valley Park is a small, 6-acre park with two camping/picnic sites, a two-lane boat ramp, one vault toilet and paved access roads. The park is currently open 24 hours a day with boat launching as its primary activity. Because of littering, dumping and vandalism at the park during late-night hours, the Corps is proposing to operate the park as a day-use only park with night closure.

At this time, the Corps is providing an opportunity for park users, adjacent landowners and other interested individuals to comment on the proposed change to the park's operating hours.

Comments should be submitted in writing and mailed to Lake Manager, Belton/Stillhouse Hollow Lakes, 3740 FM 1670, Belton, Texas 76513; faxed to the lake office at 254-939-8150; or e-mailed to CESWF-OD-BN@swf.usace.army.mil. Written comments will be accepted through Nov. 15, 2000.